

House Resolution 1509

By: Representative Baker of the 78th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Wimbley Hale, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Wimbley Hale, Jr., has long been recognized for his active
3 leadership roles in his community and throughout this state and his deep commitment to
4 spreading the Word of God to others; and

5 WHEREAS, Reverend Hale earned a bachelor's degree from Clark College, a Master of
6 Divinity degree from the Gammon Theological Seminary of the Interdenominational
7 Theological Center, and has studied in the areas of ministries of the church, college
8 curriculum development, and church administration; and

9 WHEREAS, he began his service to the Lord in 1970 as assistant pastor at Mallalieu United
10 Methodist Church and has served as pastor to the congregations of Rivertown, Bowen,
11 Warren Memorial, Hoosier Memorial, and Andrews Chapel United Methodist Churches; and

12 WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Reverend Hale has served as a letter carrier with the
13 United States Post Office, a community recreation leader with the City of Atlanta's
14 Department of Parks and Recreation, a philosophy instructor at Clark College, a casework
15 supervisor and quality control reviewer for the Department of Family and Children Services,
16 and district superintendent for the Atlanta-Decatur-Oxford District; and

17 WHEREAS, Reverend Hale has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the Gospel,
18 witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical, psychological,
19 intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

20 WHEREAS, during his time leading Andrews Chapel United Methodist Church, the church
21 has grown into a phenomenal place of worship, uplifting the community like the light of
22 Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual leader and place for fellowship; and

23 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
24 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
25 humanitarian, Reverend Hale serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

26 WHEREAS, Reverend Hale is united in love and marriage to his supportive wife, Mae
27 Williams Hale, and he has been blessed with two remarkable sons, Keith and Craig; and

28 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Hale is a source of
29 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

30 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
31 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
32 on behalf of persons in need.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
34 the members of this body commend Reverend Dr. Wimbley Hale, Jr., for his service to the
35 Lord and his congregations and extend best wishes for many more years of successful
36 fellowship and leadership.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Dr. Wimbley
39 Hale, Jr.